

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the Abstract beginning at page 9, line 1, with the following new Abstract:

ABSTRACT

Azimuth brake for wind power plants, ~~comprising~~ includes at least two pairs of brake shoes ~~(12A, 12B, 14A, 14B, 16A, 16B)~~ arranged at a common brake disk ~~(10)~~ and each having an actuator ~~(24, 30)~~ associated therewith, ~~characterised in that each~~ . Each actuator ~~comprises~~ includes a lever ~~(30)~~ that is pivotable about an axis extending normal to the plane ~~a~~ of the brake disk ~~(10)~~, and a transmission ~~(24)~~ for translating the pivotal movement of the lever ~~(30)~~ into an axial engaging movement of the brake shoes ~~(26)~~ against the brake disk. The ~~(10)~~, ~~and in that the levers~~ ~~(36)~~ of ~~said~~ at least two actuators are coupled by a common drive mechanism ~~(32)~~.

~~(Fig. 1)~~